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TO AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV PRIORITY

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FOLLOWING SENT ACTION TO SECSTATE JAN 19, 1976 FROM CAIRO

QUOTE C O N F I D E N T I A L CAIRO 0646

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EO 11652: GDS

TAGS: MARR PFOR PLOS EWWT EG IS

SUBJECT: ISRAELI CARGOES THROUGH THE SUEZ CANAL

REF: STATE 012761

1. I BELIEVE PROCEDURE SUGGESTED TO DINITZ IS  
CORRECT. ARTICLE 7 OF SECOND DISENGAGEMENT AGREEMENT  
SPEAKS OF QUOTE NON-MILITARY UNQUOTE CARGOES  
BEING PERMITTED THROUGH THE CANAL. IN VARIOUS  
PUBLIC STATEMENTS, SADAT HAS ALTERED THIS SOMEWHAT  
TO QUOTE NON-STRATEGIC UNQUOTE CARGOES. ALTHOUGH  
PETROLEUM IS CLEARLY A STRATEGIC CARGO, AND HE WILL  
DOUBTLESS TAKE SOME POLITICAL FLACK FROM ARAB CRITICS  
FOR PERMITTING LOADED TANKER BOUND FOR ISRAEL TO  
TRANSIT, IT SHOULD BE POSSIBLE FOR THE CARGO TO  
TRANSIT WITHOUT INCIDENT IF ISRAEL HANDLES MATTER IN  
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LOW KEY.

2. APART FROM AGREEMENT PROVISION, THERE ARE TWO ELEMENTS THAT SHOULD WORK IN FAVOR OF CARGO GOING THROUGH WITHOUT PROBLEM, ASSUMING SHIP'S PAPERS AND PAYMENT ARE IN ORDER. FIRST, SINCE I ASSUME PETROLEUM IS COMING FROM IRAN, SADAT WILL NOT WANT TO OFFEND HIS IRANIAN BENEFACTOR BY MAKING AN ISSUE OF TRANSIT. SECOND, EGYPTIANS ALREADY HAVE ABU RUDAYS AND RAS AS-SIDR OIL FIELDS BACK AND DISENGAGEMENT AGREEMENT WILL PRESUMABLY BE FULLY IMPLEMENTED BY THE TIME THE LOADED TANKER RETURNS. THIS WILL ALSO MAKE IT EASIER FOR SADAT TO JUSTIFY PASSAGE, AT LEAST BEFORE HIS OWN PEOPLE IF NOT BEFORE ARAB CRITICS.

3. PLEASE REPEAT THIS MESSAGE TO TEL AVIV.

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UNQUOTE KISSINGER

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